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1. On 2 Apr 52, Radio Prague broadcast that the workers of the National Corporation Fine Instruments Plant in Stara Tura [4847N-1742E], had pledged to "work a special shift for Korea and to ship to Korea 20 thousand syringes, and 20 thousand sets of medical needles, and other material." The announcement continued with a long tirade about Americans waging bacteriological warfare in Korea.
2. Stara Tura is a small community in western Slovakia known for its natural beauty. [REDACTED] it seemed quite poor, and had no such plant as that mentioned in the broadcast. Apparently as part of the industrialization program for Slovakia, Stara Tura has become a center for making precision medical instruments and supplies.

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